

State of Louisiana



Parish of Grant

In the Name and By the Authority of The Police Jury of Grant Parish

Motion by Mr. Cephas Bowie Jr., seconded by Mr. Winston Roberts and
carried to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION: 09-2025

A RESOLUTION TO REQUEST AN OPINION FROM THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA CONCERNING THE GRANT PARISH POLICE JURY AND THE GRANT PARISH LIBRARY BOARD OF CONTROL

BY: JESSIE PACE, PARISH MANAGER / SECRETARY - TREASURER

WHEREAS, by letter dated March 13, 2025 (Attachment 1), Jessie Pace, Parish Manager / Secretary-Treasurer for the Grant Parish Police Jury requested the Attorney General of the State of Louisiana to issue an opinion concerning fiscal control, delegating financial operations, and authority to take disciplinary action regarding the director of the library and library employees hired by the Library Board; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated March 13, 2025 (Attachment 2), the Office of the Attorney General advised Mrs. Pace that the request by a member of a governing authority for an Attorney General opinion must first be presented to the governing body.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Grant Parish Police Jury in due, regular, and legal session convened, that the Attorney General of the State of Louisiana is requested to provide an opinion to the Grant Parish Police Jury which answers the following questions:

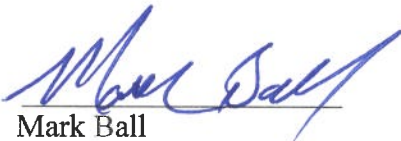
- 1) The Grant Parish Library Board hired a Library Director. May the Grant Parish Police Jury terminate the employment of the Library Director, with or without cause, or does the authority to terminate the employment of the Library Director belong exclusively to the Library Board?
- 2) In general, does the Police Jury have the authority to take disciplinary action regarding library employees hired by the Library Board?
- 3) If the Police Jury were to abolish the Library Board, may the Police Jury operate the Parish Library without a library board or may the Police Jury appoint its own jury members to a newly constituted library board?
- 4) To what extent may the Police Jury exercise fiscal control over and oversight of the Library Board?
- 5) To what extent may the Police Jury delegate financial operations to the Library Board given that Grant Parish is not among the parishes authorized to transfer the administration of and accounting functions for library funds to the Library Board under La.R.S. 25:215(B)?

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provisions or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items, or applications, and to this end, the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict hereby are hereby repealed.

Adopted and approved this 10th day of April, 2025.


Jessie Pace
Secretary/Treasurer
Grant Parish Police Jury


Mark Ball
President
Grant Parish Police Jury


**YEAS: Mr. Brandon DuBois, Mr. Johnny Jamison, Mr. Arnold Murrell,
Mr. Mike Merrell, Mr. Cephas Bowie Jr. Mr. Winston Roberts
Mr. Roy Edwards, Mr. Mark Ball**

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

CERTIFICATE

I, Jessie Pace, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing constitutes a true and correct copy of a Resolution passed and adopted by the Grant Parish Police Jury on this 10th day of April, 2025.


Jessie Pace, Parish Manager
Grant Parish Police Jury